

TRANSPORTATION OF MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Special Subcommittee held hearings on H.R. 8296, 9488, and similar bills, relating to the transportation of mail. Testimony was given by Representatives Cunningham, Moulder, Rivers of Alaska, O'Hara of Illinois, Inouye, and Budge; officials from the Association of American Railroads, Pennsylvania Railroad, and Seaboard Railroad; also the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks. Statements were presented for the record by Representatives Murphy, Flood, Porter, Clark, and King of Utah.

Hearings will be resumed on Friday, June 10.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES CONTROL ACT

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held a hearing to develop factual material pertaining to H.R. 11580, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 so as to provide that no individual who willfully fails or refuses to answer, or falsely answers, certain questions relating to Communist activities, when summoned to appear before certain Federal agencies, shall be employed on any merchant vessel of the U.S. or within certain waterfront facilities in the U.S. Testimony was presented by Vice Adm. James A. Hirshfield, Assistant Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

Tuesday, June 7, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill on ship construction subsidy.

Bill extending excise taxes and debt-limit increase cleared for floor action by House Rules Committee.

Senate

*Chamber Action**Routine Proceedings, pages 11954-11984*

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3633-3640; and S.J. Res. 203-204.

Pages 11956-11957

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 2692, to establish a comprehensive 10-year program of oceanographic research and surveys, with amendments (S. Rept. 1525).

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Bills Referred: 29 House-passed bills and 1 House-passed concurrent resolution were referred to appropriate committees.

Pages 11954, 11994

Bill Placed on Calendar: H.R. 11615, to amend section 4 of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, was ordered to be placed on calendar.

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Ship Construction Subsidy: Senate took from desk and passed, by 60 yeas to 26 nays, H.R. 10644, to remove certain limitations on the construction differential subsidy under title V of the Merchant Marine Act, after adopting Mansfield amendment to substitute for its text the amended language of S. 2584, companion bill. S. 2584 was then indefinitely postponed.

Prior to these actions, S. 2584 had been amended by adoption of committee amendments which had first been amended by adoption, by unanimous vote of 88

yeas, of Williams (Delaware) amendment barring free or reduced-rate ship transportation for Government employees or officials. Senate rejected by 24 yeas to 62 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Lausche amendment (to committee amendment) to limit differential payments above 50 percent to one-half of the increase up to 55 percent.

Pages 11984-11993

Fishing Vessels: Pursuant to unanimous-consent request of June 6, Senate adopted Lausche motion to reconsider the vote by which it had previously adopted conference report on H.R. 5421, to provide a program of assistance in the construction of fishing vessels, and on the reconsideration of this action, Senate, by 59 yeas to 26 nays, again adopted the conference report.

Pages 11994-11996

Travel and Tourism: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 3102, to establish an Office of International Travel and Tourism and a Travel Advisory Board.

Pages 11996-12003

Forest Use: Senate made its unfinished business S. 3044, to authorize and direct that the national forests be managed under principles of multiple use.

Pages 11994, 12008

Variety Artists: S.J. Res. 168, designating the week of October 2-8, 1960, as National American Guild of Variety Artists Week, was passed with committee amendments. Motion to reconsider this action was tabled.

Pages 12008-12009

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up H.R. 11998, fiscal 1961 appropriations for the Defense Establishment, but did not conclude its work, and will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on H.R. 11776, fiscal 1961 appropriations for independent offices, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their department from Arthur Kline, Vice Chairman, and Frederick Stueck, Commissioner, both of the Federal Power Commission.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization held hearings on S. 3472, to extend the Defense Production Act for an additional 2 years, with testimony from Leo A. Hoegh, Director, Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization, who favored enactment of the bill, and recommended additional amendments to title 3 of the act, relative to financial powers to increase production and capacity.

U.S.-JAPAN TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on a treaty for mutual cooperation between the U.S. and Japan (Ex. E, 86th Cong., 2d sess.), with testimony in open and executive sessions from Secretary Christian A. Herter, who was accompanied by J. Graham Parsons, Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs, both of the State Department; and John N. Irwin II, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs. Testimony in open session was received from Esther Rhoads, who was accompanied by Raymond

Wilson, both of the Friends' Committee on National Legislation.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

FEDERAL AVIATION ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee continued its hearings to review the operation of the Federal Aviation Act, with testimony on the subject of pilot certification from Rowland Quinn, Air Line Stewards & Stewardesses Association; William Lawton, National Business Aircraft Association; and William B. Becker, Air Transport Association.

Hearings continue on Friday, June 10.

RAILROAD TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued its hearings on S. 3020, to strengthen and improve the national transportation system, having as its witnesses John J. Allen, Jr., Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; W. H. Kendall, president, Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co.; W. W. Patchell, Pennsylvania Railroad Co.; and A. J. Kneessy, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 1046, proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

WATER RESOURCES

Select Committee on National Water Resources: Committee met in executive session to discuss a staff report on activities of the committee to date, and agreed to meet again on Friday, June 17, to discuss further specific ideas to be included in the committee's report.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 12530-12539; 7 private bills, H.R. 12540-12546; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 548-550, were introduced. Pages 12050-12051

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 480, providing for the printing of additional copies of H. Rept. 1251, current session (H. Rept. 1747);

H. Res. 499, providing for printing additional copies of the hearings entitled "Review of the American Educational System" (H. Rept. 1748);

H. Res. 524, authorizing the printing as a House document the biography of Taras Shevchenko (H. Rept. 1749);

H. Res. 534, authorizing the printing of the prayers offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives during the 85th and 86th Congresses (H. Rept. 1750);

S. Con. Res. 87, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the report on employment, growth, and price levels (H. Rept. 1751);

S. Con. Res. 89, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the studies on comparisons of United States and Soviet economies (H. Rept. 1752);

H. Con. Res. 691, authorizing the disposal of certain publications now stored in the folding room of the House of Representatives and the warehouse of the Senate (H. Rept. 1753);

H. Res. 544, providing additional mail clerks for the Office of the Postmaster, House of Representatives (H. Rept. 1754);

H. Res. 550, closed rule providing for 2 hours of debate on and waiving of points of order against H.R. 12381, to increase for a 1-year period the public debt limit set forth in section 21 of the Second Liberty Bond Act and to extend for 1 year the existing corporate normal-tax rate and certain excise-tax rates (H. Rept. 1755);

H.R. 10952, to authorize the National Society Daughters of American Colonists to use certain real property in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1756);

S. 2327, to provide for the better registration of births in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1757);

S. 2439, to authorize certain teachers in the D.C. public schools to count as creditable service for retirement purposes certain periods of authorized leave without pay taken by such teachers for educational purposes (H. Rept. 1758);

S.J. Res. 42, to establish an objective for coordinating the development of the District of Columbia with the development of other areas in the Washington metropolitan region and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof (H. Rept. 1759);

H.R. 8665, to provide for the construction of a memorial to Theodore Roosevelt in the National Capital by the Secretary of the Interior (H. Rept. 1760); and

H.R. 7624, to authorize the use of suitable color additives in or on foods, drugs, and cosmetics, in accordance with regulations prescribing the conditions under which such additives may be safely used (H. Rept. 1761).

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Norman (Okla.) Project: The House adopted S. Con. Res. 109, authorizing certain corrections in engrossed copy of S. 1892, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Norman project, Oklahoma.

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Printing Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions providing for printing of additional copies of certain legislative reports, documents, and hearings:

H. Res. 480, providing for the printing of additional copies of H. Rept. 1251, current session;

H. Res. 499, providing for printing additional copies of the hearings entitled "Review of the American Educational System";

H. Res. 524, authorizing the printing as a House document the biography of Taras Shevchenko;

H. Res. 534, authorizing the printing of the prayers offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives during the 85th and 86th Congresses;

S. Con. Res. 87, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the report on employment, growth, and price levels; and

S. Con. Res. 89, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the studies on comparisons of United States and Soviet economies.

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Surplus Publication Disposal: Adopted H. Con. Res. 691, to authorize disposal by the Joint Committee on Printing of certain surplus publications now stored in the House folding room and the Senate warehouse.

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Temporary Mail Clerks: The House adopted H. Res. 544, to provide for four additional temporary mail clerks for the post office of the House of Representatives.

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Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 1223, 1720, 1912, 2046, 2142, 2177, 2247, 2330, 2352, 2418, 2486, 2532, 2538, 2554, 2635, 2769, 2776, 2792, and 2821.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H.J. Res. 722, H.R. 1766, 3805, 7670, and 11854.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 1752, 1909, 2443, 2566, H.J. Res. 721, H.R. 1433, 1721, and 7308.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 2384, H.R. 1526, and 6338.

Pursuant to unanimous-consent request the call of the Private Calendar was stopped on Calendar No. 528.

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Private Bills: The following private bills and resolutions were cleared for Presidential consideration by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto: H.J. Res. 638, 678, H.R. 1542, 2645, and 8888.

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Bill Referred: S. 3018, authorizing the Maritime Commission to make advances on Government-insured ship mortgages, was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:19 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Departmental Oversight and Consumer Relations continued hearings on H.R. 9865, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act, and heard testimony from public witnesses. The subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS

Committee on Armed Services: Special subcommittee held a hearing on alleged abuses in use of commercial air freight in overseas shipment of household effects of military personnel. Witnesses heard were Dewey Short, Assistant Secretary, Army; and officials from the Department of Defense, Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, Department of the Air Force, and

the General Accounting Office. The subcommittee will resume Thursday, June 9, in executive session.

FEDERAL RESERVE STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H.R. 8516, to provide for the retirement of Federal Reserve bank stock. Testimony was given on the measure by Carl E. Allen, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Hearings continue Friday, June 10.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session on H.R. 4488, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 in regard to increasing the Federal minimum wage to \$1.25 an hour. No final action was taken on the bill, and the committee will continue in executive session Wednesday, June 8.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on pending bills, but no announcements were made.

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Government Operations: Special Subcommittee on Home Loan Bank Board held a hearing on matters regarding the Home Loan Bank Board. Testimony was given by Representatives Utt, Hosmer, and Doyle; and a public witness. A statement was read by an official of the Home Loan Bank Board.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded hearings on H.R. 9229, 9230, 9231, and 9232, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance by the Secretary of the Interior of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado, and heard testimony from Department of Interior witnesses, and Colorado State officials.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION—HEALTH RESEARCH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H.J. Res. 649 (amended), relating to the authority of the President, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, and the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service to provide for international cooperation in health research and research training. The committee will continue in executive session Wednesday, June 8.

MEDICAL-DENTAL SCHOOLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Safety concluded hearings on H.R. 6906, and related bills, regarding medical and dental school construction, scholarships, and research grants. Testimony was given by Representative Fogarty; Arthur Flemming, Secretary, Health, Education, and Welfare; and a public witness.

TV BOOSTER STATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Power concluded hearings on S. 1886, regarding TV booster stations. Heard were Representative Johnson of Colorado; and various public witnesses.

HARDWOOD

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance continued hearings on H.R. 9310, 9349, and 10653, relating to misleading and false advertising of hardwood products, and heard Representatives Bray and Collier; also various public witnesses. Hearings continue Wednesday, June 8.

JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H.R. 6159 (amended), the omnibus judgeship bill.

FISH—BIRDS—WILDLIFE DISEASE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 2777, to amend the Fisheries Cooperative Marketing Act. A statement was read on behalf of Representative McCormack and testimony was heard from officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

After the open hearing the subcommittee, in executive session, ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 12449 (amended, with instructions to introduce a clean bill), to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to increase the penalties for violation of that act. Also considered but took no final action on H.R. 2777 (title above); and H.R. 7455, to provide for the establishment of a National Wildlife Disease Laboratory.

POSTAL RATE INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued on proposed postal rate increases and heard testimony from the last public witnesses that were scheduled to testify on the subject. Wednesday, June 8, the committee will hear testimony from officials of the Post Office Department.

RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on S. 2857 met in executive session to consider S. 2857, to provide for refunds of contributions to civil service annuitants whose length of service exceeds that necessary to provide the maximum annuity allowance. No final action was taken on the measure.

PUBLIC WORKS MISCELLANY

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Flood Control ordered favorably reported to the full committee (with instructions for the authors to introduce clean bills) H.R. 900 (amended), to provide that 75 percent of all moneys derived by the U.S. from certain recreational activities in connection with lands ac-

quired for flood control and other purposes shall be paid to the State; H.R. 466 (amended), to provide compensation for certain property losses in the Tuttle Creek Reservoir project, Kansas; H.R. 3214 (amended), to implement section 4 of the act approved December 22, 1944, regarding development of recreational potential created by reservoir projects constructed with Federal funds; H.R. 5981 (amended), to authorize multiple-purpose development at Victory Reservoir site, Vermont; and H.R. 9721 (amended), to authorize adjustment, in the public interest, of rentals under leases entered into for the provision of commercial recreational facilities at the John H. Kerr Reservoir, Va.-N.C.

The subcommittee also approved 17 flood control resolutions.

PUBLIC DEBT LIMIT—TAX RATES

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule, waiving points of order, with 2 hours debate on H.R. 12381, to increase for a 1-year period the public debt limit set forth in section 21 of the Second Liberty Bond Act and to extend for 1 year the existing corporate normal-tax rate and certain excise-tax rates.

Witnesses testifying on granting of a rule were Representatives Mills and Mason.

WHEAT—FEED GRAINS

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing but took no action on H.R. 12261, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, and the Agricultural Act of 1949, with respect to market adjustment and price support programs

for wheat and feed grains, to provide a high-protein food distribution program.

Witnesses heard on granting of a rule were Representatives Cooley, Poage, Albert, and Wolf. The committee will continue hearings on this bill Wednesday, June 8.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES CONTROL ACT

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings to develop factual material pertaining to H.R. 11580, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 so as to provide that no individual who willfully fails or refuses to answer, or falsely answers, certain questions relating to Communist activities, when summoned to appear before certain Federal agencies, shall be employed on any merchant vessel of the U.S. or within certain waterfront facilities in the U.S. Testimony was presented by representatives of seamen unions.

Joint Committee Meetings

TARIFF

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file conference reports on the following three bills: H.R. 9862, to continue the existing suspension of duties on importation of certain shoe lathes; H.R. 9322, to make permanent the existing suspension of duties on certain coarse wool; and H.R. 9881, to extend the existing law relating to free importation of personal and household effects brought into the U.S. under Government orders.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate appointed conferees on school construction bill, passed bill on forest use, and took up wheat bill.

House passed debt limit and tax rate extension bill and debated Space Act amendments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12063-12077

Bills Introduced: 10 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3641-3650; S.J. Res. 205-207; and S. Res. 332.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 332, S. 1409, 3125, H.R. 2007, 3242, 5033, 5530, 6149, 9652, S. 2548, H.J. Res. 688, and S. 3105, private bills (S. Repts. 1527-1537);

S. 3053, for relief of State of Connecticut, with amendment (S. Rept. 1538);

S.J. Res. 207, to suspend for the 1960 campaign the equal-opportunity requirements of section 315 of the Communications Act for nominees for the offices of President and Vice President, with minority views (S. Rept. 1539).

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Bills Referred: Nine House-passed bills and one House-passed concurrent resolution were referred to appropriate committees.

Pages 12060-12061

School Construction: H.R. 10128, authorizing Federal assistance for school construction, was taken from desk, and, on motion of Senator Johnson of Texas, was passed after striking out all after enacting clause and substitut-